



DE WAAG, or Weigh-House in Leeuwarden is located on the Market Square. It was constructed in 1670 and cheese was weighed there for the weekly cheese market. The building has been converted into a museum and now displays exhibits related to cheese making and other local crafts. The cheese market still takes place every Thursday morning, just for tourists. More on the city of Leeuwarden on pages 18 & 19.

Important: The entries below are an indication only of what events are planned during the coming months and the information given may not always be accurate and could be subject to change.

For up-to-date accurate information, **always** refer to the larger function advertisements inside this paper or the posters displayed in the clubhouse.

Upcoming Functions in Neerlandia or in other venues as shown:

Sunday 4 September	<u>"Father's Day Brunch"</u>	10.00 am
	Cost: Adults \$15.00	
	Children \$ 7.50	
Sunday 11 September	<u>"Sunday Klaverjas Drive"</u>	11.00 am
	Cost: \$ 7.00	
Thursday 15 September	<u>"DJVV Club"</u>	Shop open
Sunday 18 September	<u>"Neerlandia AGM"</u>	1.00 pm
	Financial Members only.	
Thursday 29 September	<u>"DJVV Club"</u>	Shop open
Friday 30 September	<u>"End of Month Drinks"</u>	5.30 pm - 7.30 pm
Sunday 2 October	<u>"Sunday Klaverjas Drive"</u>	11.00 am
	Cost: \$ 7.00	
Sunday 9 October	<u>"DVD Show-De Toppers in Concert"</u>	11.00 am
	Doors open 10.30am	
	Free Entry	
Sunday 16 October	<u>"Flea Market "</u>	10.30 am—2.30 pm
	A DACWA/Neerlandia Fundraiser	
	Entry: \$2.00 Gold Coin.	
	Stallholders: \$5.00	
Friday 28 October	<u>"End of Month Drinks"</u>	5.30 pm - 7.30 pm
Tuesday 1 November	<u>"Melbourne Cup Lunch"</u>	10.00 am
	Cost: Members: \$25.00	
	Non-Members: \$30.00	
Sunday 6 November	<u>"Prinsen Bal"</u>	1.00 pm
	Cost: \$12.00	
	Doors open: Noon	
	Music: Gerry van Sambeek	
Sunday 13 November	<u>"Sunday Klaverjas Drive"</u>	11.00 am

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Private Members Parties:

For bookings of Private Members Parties or information that is not in this magazine, please phone:
Pieter Leeftang on: 9364 6703 or Lianna Parker on: 6380 2736

Costs for using our Clubhouse facilities are:

Use of Hall	\$275.00 (Incl. GST)
Use of Lounge	\$100.00 (Incl. GST)
Use of Kitchen	\$100.00 (Incl. GST)

News from your President

Dear Members,

This article was written in the second week of July, just before Joke and I headed north to Coral Bay for our annual holiday.

Ray Schaafsma and Aat Kievit will put the finishing touches to this magazine and Ray will take it to the printer and he will also be

responsible for mailing this magazine. Thanks Ray, that is much appreciated. Even though you are no longer on our Committee, your continuing interest in Neerlandia is well and truly appreciated.

Neerlandia AGM:

This will be held on Sunday the 18th of September. After some serious consideration I have decided to make myself available for re-election as president one more time, but with no guarantee that I will be there for the full two years. One year is much more likely, as I still have many unfulfilled dreams, which are presently on hold while I am so heavily involved in Neerlandia.

New committee members are desperately needed as Barry Parker has decided that he will not be available for re-election as a Committee Member due to work commitments as well as involvement with an other Association.

We now have 3 vacancies on the committee to fill.

Dutch Liquor:

Another consignment has arrived from the Netherlands and despite the strong Australian dollar, the other costs have gone up and we have decided to increase the price per bottle slightly as from the 1st of September. Details page 5.

Clubhouse upgrade:

Your Committee is continuing to improve the clubhouse facilities. The 28 old crumbling, dark tabletops in the main hall have been replaced with light grey tops at a purchase cost of just under \$50.00 each. Thanks to Lou & Henk for securing the new tops onto the existing frames.

Following the very successful fundraising for the new gas stove in the kitchen, whereby over \$3,800 was raised, we decided to continue this trend and ask for members to sponsor a table top for the price of \$50.00. Read more about this idea on page 10.

This new fundraising idea will not only reduce the financial burden on our club, but it will release funds for other improvements. A large wall-mounted HD -TV for the Lounge will be installed and the Billiard table will



be moved from the Lounge onto the carpeted area of the main hall. This in turn will increase the seating arrangements in the lounge, which will make it more suitable for small members parties and to watch sporting events on the big screen.

Upcoming Functions:

There are enough functions coming up during the next few months to make everyone happy.

Father's Day Brunch. This will be held on *Sunday the 4th of September* members are invited to bring their Dads or family along.

DVD Afternoon. This will be held on *Sunday the 9th of October*. We will show a concert by the "Toppers". They are 4 famous Dutch Singers, who get together and call themselves the "Toppers". They get 80,000– 90,000 people at their annual concerts in the Amsterdam Arena and we did show some segments of that concert at the last DVD afternoon. About 50% of those present indicated that they would love to attend and see the full show. The music and songs are of course more modern and noisier than the older generation is used to, but it is still an interesting experience to see the latest trend in popular Dutch music and besides that, it is a fantastic spectacle worth seeing.

Open Market Day. This will be held on Sunday the 16th of October in the form of a Trash & Treasure/Flea Market. It will be a combined Neerlandia/DACWA Fundraiser. Members are invited to book a Trestle Table and sell their Arts & Crafts or unwanted household goods. For larger items please supply photographs and dimensions rather than the actual goods. As the saying goes: "One man's Trash is another man's Treasure"!

Of course the Neerlandia Kitchen & Bar will be open as usual.

Melbourne Cup Lunch. This event was held for the first time last year and it was a tremendous success. *This year it will be held on Tuesday the 1st of November*. Because it is a sit down lunch, numbers are limited so early bookings are recommended.

Prinsen Ball: The Sandgropers will hold their "Prinsen Dance" on *Sunday the 6th of November*. Last year it was held on a Sunday for the very first time and contrary to predictions, it was a roaring success.

On a personal note, Joke and I are no longer members of the Sandgropers, as Neerlandia takes up all our available time and energy, but we will still be there.

Pieter Leeftang,

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS JOINED THE DUTCH SOCIETY NEERLANDIA

Sjaan van der Wiele
Peta Ellis

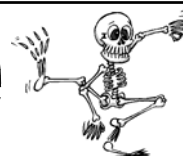


GET WELL SOON

To those members who are not feeling too well, who are ill, injured or who are battling a severe illness, the Neerlandia Committee wish you all the very best and above all, a full and speedy recovery.



Laughter is still the best medicine



Sewin' on a wee button.....

Angus Broon of Glasgow in Scotland comes to the little lady of the house exclaiming: "Maggie, cud ya be sewin on a wee button that's come off me fly? I canna button me pants." "Oh Angus, I've got me hands in the dishpan, go up the stairs and see if Mrs MacDonald could be helpin ya with it."

About 5 minutes later, there's a terrible crash, a bang, a bit of yelling and the sound of a body falling down the stairs.

Walking back in the door with a blackened eye and a bloody nose comes Angus. The little lady looks at him and says: "My god, what happened to ya? Did you ask her like I told you?"

"Aye," says Angus. "I asked her to sew on the wee button and she did. Everything was goin' fine but when she bent down to bite off the wee thread, Mr MacDonald walked in."

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Only a Farm Kid...

When you're from the country ~ your perception is a little different....

A Missouri farmer in his pick-up, drove to a neighbour's farm and knocked at the door.

A boy, about 9, opened the door. "Is your Dad home?"

"No sir, he isn't; he went to town."

"Well, is your Mother here?"

"No sir, she went to town with Dad."

"How about your brother, Howard? Is he here?"

"No sir, he went with Mom and Dad."

The rancher stood there for a few minutes, shifting from one foot to the other and mumbling to himself.

"Is there anything I can do for you? I know where all the tools are, if you want to borrow one, or I can give dad a message."

"Well," said the rancher uncomfortably, "I really wanted to talk to your Dad. It's about your brother Howard getting my daughter Suzie pregnant."

The boy thought for a moment.

"You would have to talk to Dad about that. I know he charges \$500 for the bull and \$50 for the hog, but I don't know how much he charges for Howard."

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The dead Donkey:

An Irish priest, Father O'Malley, was transferred to far

Western Queensland.

One spring morning he rose from his bed in his parish. He walked to the window of his bedroom and as he took a deep breath he noticed a donkey lying dead in the middle of his front lawn.

He promptly called the local police station.

The conversation went something like this:

"Good morning. This is Sergeant Jones. How might I help you?"

"And the best of the day te yerself. This is Father O'Malley at St. Ann's Catholic Church. There's a donkey lying dead on me front lawn."

Sergeant Jones, considering himself to be quite a wit, replied while grinning to himself:

"Well now Father, it was always my impression that you people took care of the last rites!"

There was short pause after which Father O'Malley replied: "Aye, it's certainly true; but we are also obliged to notify the next of kin."

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The Lecture:

An elderly man is stopped by the police around 1.00 am and is asked where he is going at this time of night.

The old man replies,

"I am going to a lecture about alcohol abuse and the effects it has on the human body".

The officer then asks: "Really?"

Who is giving that lecture at this time of night?"

The man replies: "My wife.

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An Irish Family Tradition:

Paddy had long heard the stories of an amazing family tradition.

It seems that his father, grandfather and great-grandfather had all been able to walk on water on their 18th birthday. On that special day, they'd each walked across the lake to the pub on the far side for their first legal drink.

So when Paddy's 18th birthday came 'round, he and his pal Mick took a boat out to the middle of the lake.

Paddy stepped out of the boat ...and nearly drowned!

Mick just barely managed to pull him to safety.

Furious and confused, Paddy went to see his grandmother.

'Grandma,' he asked, "It's my 18th birthday, so why can't I walk 'cross the lake like my father, his father and his father before him?"

Granny looked deeply into Paddy's, troubled brown eyes and said: "Because your father, your grandfather and your great grandfather were all born in December, when the lake is frozen and you were born in August, ya dip shit.

Sunday Klaverjas Drives.

*De eerst volgende
Sunday Klaverjas
Drives worden
gehouden op
Zondag 11
September en
Zondag 2 October.*



Kosten: \$7.00 per persoon.

Kom gezellig Klaverjassen in het Neerlandia Clubhuis.

De prijzen zijn tegoed bonnen voor de winkel.

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CITROEN BRANDEWIJN	\$40.00 PER LITER
KERSEN BRANDEWIJN	\$40.00 PER LITER
MILLWOOD LIQUEUR	\$30.00 per 700 ML
DIKKE ADVocaAT	\$30.00 per 700 ML

AVAILABLE WHEN THE BAR IS OPEN:

DJVV 2nd Thursdays:	10.00 am—2.00 pm
Thursdays Evenings:	7.00 pm—10.30 pm
Organised Functions:	See page 2
Fridays:	10.00 am—1.00 pm



PRE-ORDERED BOTTLES CAN ALSO BE COLLECTED WHEN THE SHOP IS OPEN:

Every 2nd Tuesday from:
10.00 am—12 noon
Every Wednesday from:
11.00 am—1.00 pm

End of Month Drinks

**The next End of month Drinks will be held on
Friday 30 September and on Friday 28 October.**

**The Clubhouse will be open from 5.30 pm - 7.30 pm
Come along after work for some relaxation, meet up with
old friends or make new ones and enjoy a Dutch beer or a
snack or just a cup of coffee!**

Available from our Kitchen:

**Coffee & Dutch Appeltaart! Broodje Krokot or
Broodje Rookworst! Bitterballen! Chips!**

The Neerlandia “Winkel” will be open.

Everyone welcome - Everyone welcome - Everyone welcome.



Lachen is gezond



Divine intervention:

Zuster Mary Ann, die voor de thuiszorg werkte, was haar ronde aan het doen om aan huis gebonden patiënten te bezoeken, toen haar benzine opraaakte. Het gelukkige toeval wilde dat er juist in de buurt een Texaco benzinestation was, maar een huizenblok verder. Ze liep erheen om een benzineblik te lenen en wat benzine te kopen. De bediende vertelde haar dat het enige benzineblik dat hij had, uitgeleend was, maar ze mocht wachten tot het teruggebracht was. Daar Zuster Mary Ann onderweg was naar een patiënt, besloot ze niet te wachten en liep terug naar haar auto. Ze zocht of er iets in de auto lag dat ze met benzine kon vullen en liet haar oog vallen op de ondersteek (bedpan) die zij naar de patiënt moest brengen. Altijd vindingrijk, droeg Zuster Mary Ann de ondersteek naar het benzinestation, vulde hem met benzine en droeg de volle pot terug naar de auto. Terwijl zij de benzine in haar tank goot, keken twee protestanten van de overkant van de straat toe... Een van hen wendde zich tot de ander en zei: "Als-ie start, word ik katholiek"!!

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Boer zoekt vrouw

Een van de boeren van "Boer zoekt Vrouw" ging trouwen. Het was een hele grote bruiloft tot laat in de avond. En na het feest ging hij voor de eerste keer naar bed met de nieuwe boerin. De boerin ligt in bed en zegt: "Ik heb het koud." De Boer haalt een deken en legt deze over haar heen. De boerin zegt daarna nog eens: "Ik heb het nog steeds koud." Boer haalt nog een deken erbij en legt deze ook nog over haar heen. De boerin zegt: "Vroeger thuis ging mijn vader boven op mijn moeder liggen als zij het koud had!" De Boer antwoordt daarop: "We kunnen die oude man s' nachts om 3 uur toch niet uit zijn bed bellen!!"

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De drie directeurs van Maes, Heineken en Duvel nemen elke morgen om 10 over 7 samen de trein naar het werk. Op zekere morgen is er een serieuze vertraging en ze besluiten daarom iets te gaan drinken. Ze stappen een café binnen waar ze meer dan 120 verschillende biersoorten hebben. De directeur van Maes roept: "Patron, drie Maeskes alstublieft." Nadat hun glas leeg is, roept de directeur van Heineken: "Hallo, barman, kan jij ons nog effe drie Heinekens serveren asjeblieft!"

Nadat deze uit zijn, is het de beurt aan de directeur van Duvel: "Patron, breng jij nog eens 't zelfde als 't kan !" De directeurs van Maes en Heineken schrikken en kijken elkaar verwonderd aan. Plots zegt die van Heineken: "Man, hoe kan dat nou, jij bent directeur van Duvel en jij bestelt drie Heinekens?" "Wel ja," zegt de directeur van Duvel, op zijn uurwerk kijkend: "t Is nog wat vroeg om bier te drinken hé...!"

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De nagel op de kop!!

André en Battel zitten van een streekbiertje te genieten op het terras van hun stamcafé. Zegt André: "Ken jij het verschil tussen Onze-Lieve-Vrouw en een moderne vrouw?" Battel denkt diep na, neemt een slok van zijn pintje, mompelt iets tussen zijn tanden en moet tenslotte bekennen dat hij het niet weet. "Wel", zegt André: "het is nochtans heel simpel. Onze Lieve Vrouw vluchtte op een ezel en liet alles achter. Een moderne vrouw daarentegen vlucht met alles en... laat den ezel achter!"

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De Eerste Computers:

Bij opgravingen in de Russische bodem tot op een diepte van 100 meter hebben Russische wetenschappers resten gevonden van koperdraden, met een geschatte leeftijd van 1000 jaar. De Russen trokken hieruit de conclusie dat hun voorouders reeds 1000 jaar geleden beschikten over een koperen communicatienetwerk.

Om niet achter te blijven zijn Amerikaanse wetenschappers ook hun bodem gaan afgraven waarbij ze op een diepte van 200 meter resten van glasvezels aantreffen.

Deze vezels bleken na onderzoek zo'n 2000 jaar oud te zijn, waaruit de Amerikanen concludeerden dat hun voorouders reeds 2000 jaar geleden al een zeer geavanceerd digitaal glasvezel netwerk in gebruik hadden. En dat zo'n 1000 jaar vóór de Russen...

Een week later hebben de Belgen het volgende rapport gepubliceerd.

Bij opgravingen in de Belgische bodem, tot op een diepte van 500 meter, hebben Belgische wetenschappers helemaal niets gevonden.

De Belgen concluderen hieruit dat 5000 jaar geleden de oude Belgen reeds beschikten over een draadloos netwerk.

AGM - Dutch Society Neerlandia

The Annual General Meeting will be held
in the Neerlandia Clubhouse
on Sunday the 18th of September at 1.00 pm.

Doors open at Noon

Only financial Members may attend.
Please show your current membership cards.
Refreshment will be served after the meeting.



Fathers Day Brunch

This special Brunch will be held on Sunday the 4th of September at 10.00 am



Cost: Adults \$15.00

Children \$ 7.50



Show Dad that he is appreciated and take him with
the entire family to enjoy "Brunch" at Neerlandia.

We start off with Coffee and Dutch Appeltaart,
then enjoy the usual Dutch Breakfast Treats, followed by our "Uitsmijter" with
unlimited Coffee, Tea or Orange Juice.

And a free Port for all Fathers.

**For catering purpose pre-payment is
necessary when you make your booking**

Contact Ans van Alphen on:

9342 6525 (9.00 am– 9.00 pm)



The payment options are:

- ... *Send your Cheque or Money Order to Neerlandia, PO Box 200, WEMBLEY 6913*
- ... *Give Ans van Alphen your credit or debit card details over the phone.*
- ... *Come to the Clubhouse on any Friday between 10.00 am and 1.00 pm and pay by credit card or cash.*

Neerlandia AGM & Upcoming Function in October

Neerlandia AGM:

On Sunday the **18th of September**, starting sharp at 1.00 pm, our **Annual General Meeting** will be held in the Neerlandia Clubhouse.

Only Financial Members may attend!

Please attend and find out what is happening at your club.

Elections of Committee:

This year, in accordance with our constitution, the following positions will be declared vacant:

The President.

The Treasurer.

And 3 Committee Members.

In addition to these, we have two additional Committee Member vacancies for a one year term.

The sitting members that have to vacate office are as the following:

President: Pieter Leeftang. Will be available for re-election.

Treasurer: Piet van Dijk. Will be available for re-election.

Committee Members:

Louis Marcus. Will be available for re-election.

Barry Parker. Will not be available for re-election.

Henk Haanemaaijer. Will be available for re-election.

Please note: During the meeting Coffee will be freely

available and after the meeting everyone will be served with a “Belegd Broodje” and will be given one free drink from the bar.

Pieter Leeftang.

NOMINATION FORM FOR NEERLANDIA COMMITTEE

I nominate:

Mr/Mrs/Ms.....

For the following position:

President ()

Treasurer ()

Committee Member ()

Signature Proposer.....

Membership No:.....

Signature Seconder.....

Membership No:.....

I accept the nomination:.

Signature Candidate.....

Membership No:.....

All nomination forms must be in the possession of our Secretary before Monday the 5th of September 2011

DVD Afternoon The Toppers

On Sunday the 9th of October we will show the famous Dutch “Toppers “ in their 2010 Concert at the Amsterdam Arena.

FREE ENTRY

Doors open at 10.30-DVD show starts at 11.30 am

Tickets will be sold at the door for Coffee & Dutch

“Appeltaart” and the usual Snacks for Lunch such as “Broodje Rookworst”, “Broodje Kroket”, “Broodje Ham” or “Broodje Kaas”.



**For Catering purposes, please let us know
you are attending by phoning:**

Ans van Alphen on 9342 6525 (9.00 am-9.00 pm)

Recently held events

Result Sunday Klaverjas Drive:

On Sunday the 3rd of July we once again held our monthly Sunday Klaverjas Drive and this time 29 players turned up, which means that we had 7 tables that took part in the competition.

Playing in the clubhouse lounge is always a bonus as it is always warm & cosy with soothing background music being played. Little wonder it is very popular.



Sharp at 11 o'clock the games started with two games and after lunch, which was prepared by Thea de Koning, everyone played another two rounds.

Then as the completed scoresheets came in, they were checked and the winners were announced.

This time the competition was not as close as usual and the three winners were separated by about 3000 points. The results were:

Klaverjassen:

1st Prize	Tinie Swart	7282 points
2nd prize	Corrie van Rijt	6924 points
3rd prize	Jan Lagerwey	6671 points

The next 2 Sunday Drives will be held on Sunday the 11th of September (On Sunday the 4th of September it is father's Day) and on Sunday the 2nd of October. Additional players are always welcome, so why not join us for a (gezellige) Sunday afternoon and be at the clubhouse before 11.00 am. The games always finish well

before 3.00 pm.

Pieter Leeftang.

End of month Drinks:

This was scheduled for Friday the 30th of June.

However, at about 5.30 pm the heavens opened up, the driving rain came down in buckets and that we still managed to attract about 30 people who braved the weather conditions to pay us a visit was better than anyone could have expected.

With Lianna still away in England, I myself looked after the bar.

However, the relentless driving rain did cause water to enter the clubhouse through ventilators, whirly birds and air conditioners and instead of being behind the bar, I found myself delegating this to Aat Kievit and Ray Schaafsma, while I was mopping up pools of water that appeared everywhere, even inside storerooms.

Pieter Leeftang



Most of the guests have gone home and the end of the evening is not far away. Pieter was still mopping up water, Ray & Aat were finalising the bar and Thea and Anne were about to leave the kitchen and go home. Joke, Jenny and Riki are waiting patiently, while Bert Baltes and an old friend were waiting for Margaret to finish her shopping from the Neerlandia Shop.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Passed away on the 8th of July 2011

Annie Vilé (100 years old)

Our sincere condolences to Ray, Riki and their families from the DJVV (De Jeugd Van Vroeger) and the Dutch Society Neerlandia of WA



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From the Secretary's desk

I can not believe that the last time I wrote my articles was for the June magazine. A while ago, my husband and I had an unscheduled trip to the UK due to the passing of my mother in law. All in all we were away for 7 weeks and a bit later, like so many of us do during the winter months, we went on holiday. So here we are, early September – the first month of spring and also the month of Neerlandia's Annual General Meeting. This meeting will be held on Sunday 18 September. The Annual Meeting is a great opportunity for you to become a Committee Member and to have direct influence on the direction that you think the Club should be going. We have an enthusiastic team that meets every second Monday of the month. We discuss improvements, we take decisions and we keep the Club going. I am in the middle of my term as Secretary and next year, September 2012, I will not nominate again as I believe that by then I will have reached my "use-by-date" and another person with fresh ideas and new energy should take over from me. To make it a seamless hand-over, I am looking for someone who will join the Committee this September to run next to me so that for the coming year we can be a team together. But if you rather be a general committee member, come and join us anyhow. You don't have to be Dutch or of Dutch descent; all you need to be is enthusiastic. You can contact either Pieter Leeftang or myself.

Lianna Parker
Secretary

Adopt a table top

As the President mentioned in the July issue of the Magazine, Neerlandia acquired and installed 28 new table tops. The main hall is now filled with light and clean looking tables. Much to our delight, a variety of our members expressed the wish to be involved with this visual improvement. Consequently, you can now "adopt a top". So far 11 tables have found adoptive parents; another 17 are still available for \$50 each. If you are interested, please don't hesitate to contact either Pieter Leeftang or myself.

Sponsors will be acknowledged in the Magazine unless you prefer to stay anonymous. The tables remain property of Dutch Society "Neerlandia".

SPOTLIGHT

"Spotlight on....". This column is meant to highlight the time and effort that a particular member of the Dutch community has dedicated to the improvement and maintenance of the Club building; a member who has expertise and/or enthusiasm that Neerlandia cannot do without.

Lately we have experienced so much enthusiasm from our members of the Neerlandia Community that we decided to have three people in the spotlight in this issue of the Magazine. Rudie van Zelst has made and completed a DVD of the Koninginnedag Celebrations held in Neerlandia on 1 May, 2011. Rudie has kindly donated two DVDs for the historic archives of the Club. One is a full version of the day whereas the second DVD contains the highlights. If you were at the Club and you are interested in reliving those unique moments, copies are for sale for \$10 each.

Everyone who attends DJJV every other Thursday, knows Heinz Marquardt. After a long wait, Heinz, to his great relief, was finally able to move to a retirement village. As he had to down size, he donated a coffee percolator and a microwave to the Club. Thank you Heinz, you are always so generous. Let's hope that all those lovely ladies who received your advokaatjes over the years, will now buy you the occasional round in exchange.

If you are an active committee member of **another Dutch Organization or Club** and you would like to raise interest in that organization or club, you are more than welcome to contact the Secretary of Dutch Society Neerlandia. We can reserve space in the magazine to give you the opportunity to inform the Dutch Community about your club.

Please send your email to Lianna Parker on lianna_parker@bigpond.com (lianna_parker)

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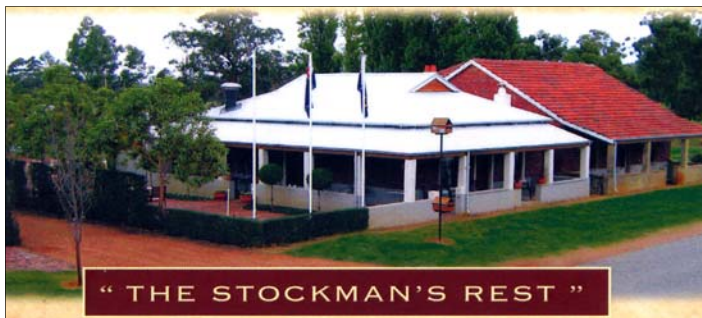
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September 2011

DUTCH AGED CARE NEWSLETTER

The Official Publication of Dutch Aged Care Western Australia Inc.
To all members and supporters of DACWA

EDITORIAL

When you read this quarter's newsletter, you will find a mixture of write-ups of past and more recent DACWA outings and workshops. We endeavour to brief you on developments within Aged Care on State and Federal levels and on day-to-day business within the DACWA organisation, thereby creating a fine balance between relevant information and some light reading.

The dynamics of Community Services are such that people come and go: familiar faces being replaced with new people. In the DACWA office exactly this happened when Bobbie resigned from DACWA to concentrate on other aspects of her life. Her position as CVS/HVS coordinator was taken over by a very capable Joyce. We wish both ladies all the best with their new ventures. In addition to this change you will by now also have met Anja, who, as Office Manager Assistant, works 4 hours a day for 4 days a week in the DACWA office.

After years of involvement with DACWA in general and as DACWA Board Members in particular, both Anneke Rombouts and myself have stepped down from the Board. Although we make way for new people with new energy, one way or another we will stay involved with DACWA as we both believe in the strength and in the future of this organisation.

You will find a write-up on the COTA Workshop, which was held a while ago. You'll also enjoy the write up on the heart warming outing to the opera that Regina and Annegret organized for DACWA clients.

This Newsletter is put together again with the efforts of DACWA Staff and Board Members. If you have any questions regarding the published articles or regarding DACWA in general, we would like to encourage you to contact DACWA on the telephone numbers provided.

As always, we look forward to your input in the newsletter; for photographs of many of the DACWA events, please go to <http://www.flickr.com/photos/20299790@N05/>
Lianna Parker

Caring for Australians Report

As many of you may be aware, Australia's aged care system is failing. It is hampered by inadequate funding and restrictive rules and regulations. It is unresponsive to the real needs of the elderly and unsustainable. To address these issues, the Federal Government's Productivity Commission issued a draft report on 21st January 2011, recommending extensive reforms in aged care. The focus of this report is to enhance the wellbeing of older Australians – promoting independence and choice.

It also addresses issues such as easier ways to access a range of services for people who live either in the community or in residential care, changes in funding arrangements and extra support for Special Needs Groups, such as culturally appropriate services.

This draft report is very detailed and it is obvious a lot of thought has gone into it. The report can be read online (www.pc.gov.au/projects/inquiry/aged-care), or printed copies can be ordered (agedcare@pc.gov.au). People were invited to read the report and to respond to it by March 2011, giving stakeholders the opportunity to make further suggestions and recommendations before the final report is delivered in July 2011. Over 700 responses were received, submitted by many organisations but also individuals. Many of these submissions can be viewed online, and make for interesting reading. Responses to the report were generally favourable. It is significant that national consumer groups have welcomed the report, which indicates that the final report would "lay the foundation for an aged care system over the next few decades that would offer older Australians faster and easier access to high quality support and care where and when they need it on a fair and equitable basis with older people having much greater choice and control" (Council on the Ageing Australia (COTA) CEO Ian Yates).

Of particular note is the response by Aged and Community Services Australia (ACSA). Their report is 43 pages long, and gives many recommendations for the final report. These recommendations include funding aspects and workforce considerations. A special mention is made of workforce shortages in some states such as WA, due to underfunding and inability to pay salaries to compete with public sector rates. It states that in the next 10 years an extra 400.000 workers will be needed in WA to meet demand, but on current projections there will be only 150.000 workers available.

You may be pleased to know that DACWA makes a concerted effort to pay our staff fair wages and we appear to be on the upper scale. This is in recognition of the excellent work that they do, and also helps to recruit and retain our staff.

Reading some of the 700 submissions made me realise that the aged care industry is in good hands, with influential organisations such as ACSA, COTA and National Seniors having the best interest of the older Australians as their main focus, and being in the position to influence the government.

It will be interesting to read the final report, which is soon to be published and I will keep you posted.

Anneke Rombouts

DACWA Newsletter

Upcoming Events

Movement Classes – every other Thursday.

For details contact the CACP Care Team on:

9388 1678 or

9382 1983

Monthly DACWA Board Meeting - 20 September, 18 October, 15 November.

For details on DACWA Board or DACWA in general, contact Karin on:

9382 4186 or

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Friends of DACWA End of Month Drinks – Every last Friday of the month

From 5.30—7.30pm in the Lounge of Dutch Club “Neerlandia”

230 Cambridge Street, Wembley

Annual General Meeting – 27 September

In the lounge of the Dutch Society Neerlandia at 4.00 p.m.

Market day in cooperation with Neerlandia (Fundraiser) - 16th October

Open for Public; Details to follow in September issue

Manual Handling -17 November and 1 December

Workshops for DACWA Support Workers

COTA WORKSHOP

In March the Council of The Aging, COTA, held a presentation on Home and Community Care Services, HACCS for the DACWA Volunteers.

COTA facilitates independent living to those who apply for assistance by contacting the Department of Health.

The presentation had a slow start but, encouraged by Bobbie's questions and input, the morning soon turned out to be enjoyable and educational.

The 50 volunteers who attended asked an array of questions and all questions were suitably answered.

This informative workshop with a Q & A session was followed by a lot of mingling and laughter.

A big thank you again to the Neerlandia volunteers Dora & An for preparing the coffee with apple cake in the morning and the delicious sandwiches for lunch.

If you need more information on the COTA workshop, please do not hesitate to call the DACWA office on 9382 4186 or 9382 1983 or by sending an email to:

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DACWA welcomes submissions to this Newsletter. To be considered for publication, the article must be written in the English language and the contents of the article must promote DACWA's philosophy. Submissions may be edited for clarity.

Lianna Parker

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A DAY IN THE OFFICE LIFE OF JOYCE

When did you start working for DACWA?

In 2008 we returned to Australia from the Netherlands and after a period of settling in I got introduced to DACWA through a family friend. On 4 March 2009 I started to work as a DACWA Support Worker.

What is your position within the organisation?

I became increasingly interested in DACWA as an organisation so on the Support Worker's Christmas party in 2009 I had a talk with Karin. I made it known to her that I was interested to get more involved. I was given the opportunity in January 2010 to combine support work with assisting Karin in the office on a part time basis. Karin taught me a lot and her patience made me feel confident that I could do it. It felt really good!

When it appeared that Bobbie, the CVS coordinator, wanted to work less hours, I was offered the position of assistant coordinator; I gladly accepted. However, when it appeared that my work became too much for me, I decided to stop as a Support Worker. This decision was very hard to take, as I really enjoyed my clients with whom I had built-up a rapport. Three different jobs though, appeared too difficult to combine. And now, after Bobbie's resignation from DACWA, I became CVS/HVS coordinator.

What are your responsibilities?

I always have to be ready to listen.

My responsibilities as the coordinator of the Community/Home Visitors Scheme are an eclectic combination, and very varied. I visit residents of Aged Care Facilities and enjoy a "speculaasje" with them but I also make sure that the CVS/HVS administration is up to date and that Government reports are prepared on time and ready to be submitted. Because of the multi cultural character of our organization, I am constantly on the lookout for Dutch and German speaking volunteers.

I also work closely with the volunteers and to keep them interested and informed I organise a variety of workshops. On top of all this there is a huge amount of volunteer related admin to see to. However, it's a part of the job and I thoroughly enjoy every aspect of my job: the rapport with the clients, the friendship with the volunteers, the interaction with like minded people who are employed in the same industry and, last but not least, the feedback to the DACWA Board.



Can you give us key words to describe your work involvement with the organisation?

Show respect, be passionate in what you do; be compassionate, love your job and do it to the best of your ability. Carry a smile in your heart and one on your face.

Describe to us a good day in the office, please?

It is always a good day, because I sincerely love my job and I am always thinking how to improve things to the benefit of the organization, the clients and the volunteers.

Do you have bad office days as well?

No bad days, sad days, yes, at times, when you hear that one of your volunteers is not well or a residents is ill or worse. It's at those times that I force myself to keep things in perspective.

If you wanted us to know anything specific or extraordinary about your work, what would that be?

My contact with volunteers is warm and I hope that they really feel respected and appreciated, because that is exactly how I feel.

Interaction with residents is so very special and at present, whenever and wherever I visit, I leave the residents with a good feeling, with a feeling of accomplishment. No matter what, it makes it all worth your while.

But also working with such a great bunch of colleagues on a daily basis makes me proud!

Joyce Kaya HVS/CSV



New members winter 2011

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DACWA Newsletter

Volunteers' Lunch

Leading up to the Annual Week of the Volunteers, the DACWA Volunteers were taken out for lunch to Miss Maud's in the City Centre on 2nd May. This lunch, organized by the CVS/HVS Coordinators, is a "thank you" to all the volunteers who dedicate a part of their time to the elderly.

Fifty four volunteers plus Karin, Bobbie & Joyce, joined each other in the private dining room to enjoy lunch in an intimate atmosphere. Waiting was a smorgasbord with delicious food all so invitingly displayed.

As per usual, every one chatted and embraced – it is always so good to see each other.

Many present have been volunteers for 10 years or longer in which period many a friendship grew.

It was especially great to see that younger people are now joining this enthusiastic group of volunteers which is an eclectic group of various ages and of different back grounds and life experience. But no matter what age, what every one has in common is the cultural background and the desire to cherish this with one another.



One of the highlights of this lunch was the presence of Deanna Vlam, guest speaker for the afternoon. Deanna Vlam is not only a DACWA Board Member, she is first and foremost the founder of DACWA. In 2009 Deanna's efforts over the years were recognized by the Australian Government when Deanna received the Australian Medal (OAM) in the General Division for service to the Dutch Community of WA involving Aged Care.

Deanna told an interested audience how the idea to start an organization like DACWA came about and how this organization, over the years grew to its present size.

The history of DACWA will be published in the next DACWA Newsletter. It was not surprising that after her presentation, Deanna was asked a myriad of questions and many of us were happy and pleased to hear this detailed and engaging story on

the birth of DACWA.

Afterwards we talked a bit more amongst ourselves and at 2.30 pm it was time to go home.

The volunteers would like to thank the CVS/HVS coordinators and Office Manager for the effort they put into organizing this friendly and informative lunch.



Do you have a couple of hours per fortnight spare and would you like to become a DACWA Volunteer and visit the elderly of Dutch or German background? Please don't hesitate to contact the CVS/HVS Coordinator on 9382 4186 or 9382 1983 to talk it over.

Lianna Parker

For the last three years we have been attending the Opera in the Park, organised by the City of Perth.

So far we have seen: Elixir of Love, last year it was Mikado and this time we were entertained by the Strauss Opera "Die Fledermaus". From the experience of the other years, we knew to be at the Park early to get parking and a nice spot to put our chairs. We met around 5.30 pm, for a glass of wine and some nibbles. The nine clients who came with us enjoyed catching up with each other and the time, until the Opera started at 8.00 pm, went by very fast.

As soon as the music started the wind came up and brought the temperature down. We were fortunate that this Opera has a lot of tunes that invite the listener to move with the Music and sing along. This way we were able to keep the worst of the chill out.

All clients and staff members present agreed that it was again a very enjoyable night.

More photographs on <http://www.flickr.com/photos/20299790@N05/>

Annegret Renke-Kotzee
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Leeuwarden the capital city of Friesland



LEEWARDEN

City and capital of the northern province of Friesland in the Netherlands. It is the centre of an agricultural and dairying region and has a noted cattle market. Manufactures include food products, clothing, artificial silk, and tin. Chartered in 1435, Leeuwarden was in the 16th -18th century the centre of a gold working and silver working industry. Many structures date from the 16th and 17th century, notably the huge brick Oldehove

Tower. The large Frisian Museum is also there. Population around 92,000.

HISTORY

Leeuwarden arose from three artificial dwelling mounds (terpen in Dutch) at the shore of the 'MIDDELZEE'. Recent archeological research suggests that there were already people living here before the year 500 AD.

From the tenth century these agricultural inhabitants started trading as well. The position at the Middelzee was ideal for this purpose. The contacts reached into Russia. In this way Leeuwarden developed urban characteristics.

MIDDELZEE INFLUENCE

The Middelzee (Dutch for "Middle sea"), also called Bordine, was the estuary mouth of the River Boorn (Frisian: Boarn) now in the Dutch province of Friesland. It ran from as far south as Sneek, northward to the Wadden Sea and marked the border between main Frisian regions of Westergoa and Eastergoa.

Gradually the Middelzee silted up, forming the *nije lannen* ("new lands"). One village is called *Nijlân*, literally meaning "New land". It can still be recognized as new land since there are only a small number of villages lying in the area of the former Middelzee. The fertile sea clay bottom is mostly used as meadow land but the Leeuwarden Air Base is also situated on the new lands. The border between Eastergoa and Westergoa in the former Middelzee is now drained by the River Zwette, it runs from Sneek to Leeuwarden, but which once reached the southern edge of Het Bildt.

By the fifteenth century the Middelzee was reduced to a funnel shape along Frisian north coast and further silting of the remaining part rendered it unusable. From the early sixteenth century the polder of Het Bildt was formed in that funnel and is now a Frisian municipality that fills the mouth of what once was the Middelzee.

The name Middelzee is still used as a name for an administrative coalition between the so-called Middelzee municipalities of Het Bildt, Ferwerderadeel, Leeuwarderadeel, and Menaldumadeel.

CITY RIGHTS

Leeuwarden obtained city-rights in the year 1435 and became capital city of the region in 1504, when the central government and jurisdiction settled down here. Beside that, Leeuwarden became the residence of the Frisian stadtholders. In these centuries the town was flourishing. The number of inhabitants rose spectacularly from five thousand in the year 1500 to sixteen thousand in 1650.

Then Leeuwarden belonged to the ten most important cities in the Netherlands. Several monumental buildings are still testifying to that period. Such as the Chancellery, where justice was settled, the Court of the Stadtholders, the Weigh-house and the leaning tower the Oldehove.

The Oldehove derives its name from the hillock where it was built on in the middle ages. With two other hillocks near the Ee, it was the centre of the old Leeuwarden. In those days the hillocks were located at the estuary of the Middelzee, a large bay that divided the northern part of Friesland in two.

SECURITY

The prosperity of Leeuwarden needed to be protected against enemies. Therefore a canal was dug around the town and ramparts were thrown up. Later, when these defences became needless, they were broken down and in some places reformed into a public garden. Inside the inner city almost all the canals are still intact.

In the nineteenth century Leeuwarden expanded outside the town-canal. As a result of the major social changes in the second half of the nineteenth century, Leeuwarden became an important central town in the area.

Whereas at national level the importance of Leeuwarden decreased extremely.

Nowadays the situation is still the same. Leeuwarden is the urban centre with a large number of facilities, within the comparatively sparsely populated province of Friesland.

ARCHITECTURE

Well-known buildings in the city centre include the Kancelarij (the former chancellery), the Stadhouderslijk hof, former residence of the stadtholders of Friesland, the Waag (old trade centre of the city), the church of St. Bonifatius and the leaning tower Oldehove.



The leaning tower 'Oldehove'

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Leeuwarden the capital city of Friesland

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The tallest building in the city is the 115 metre tall Achmea toren (Achmea insurance tower). Leeuwarden is also the site of the country's largest cattle market and on Ascension Day the largest flower market in the Netherlands is held here. The *Froskepôlemolen* is the last surviving windmill of over 130 known to have been built in Leeuwarden. The remains of the *Cammingha-Buurstermolen* were demolished in 2000. The bases of two other windmills, *Wielinga-Stam* and *De Haan* also survive.

SPORT

Leeuwarden is the starting and finishing point for the celebrated Elfstedentocht, a 200 km-long speed skating race over the Frisian waterways that is held when winter conditions in the province allow. It last took place in January 1997, preceded by the races of 1986 and 1985.

The city's local football team, Cambuur Leeuwarden plays in the Eere Division. In the season 2005/06, the club narrowly escaped bankruptcy. Its Cambuur stadion opened in 1995. The football team has proposed plans for a new stadium in the east side of the city, which will cost €35 million.

Famous natives of Leeuwarden include stadtholder Willem IV of Orange, graphical artist M.C. Escher, statesman P.J. Troelstra, writer Jan Jacob Slauerhoff and the exotic dancer and convicted spy **Mata Hari**.

Mata Hari was the stage name of **Margaretha Geertruida "Grietje" Zelle**, born 7 August 1876 in Leeuwarden. In 1903, Margaretha moved to Paris, where she performed as a circus horse rider, using the name Lady MacLeod, much to the disapproval of the Dutch MacLeods. Struggling to earn a living, she also posed as an artist's model.

By 1905, she began to win fame as an exotic dancer. It was then that she adopted the stage name *Mata Hari*.



Mata Hari or 'Grietje Zelle'

Promiscuous, flirtatious, and openly flaunting her body, she captivated her audiences and was an overnight success from the debut of her act at the Musée Guimet on 13 March 1905. She became the long-time mistress of the millionaire Lyon industrialist Emile Etienne Guimet, who had founded the Musée. She posed as a Java princess of priestly Hindu birth, pretending to have been immersed in the art of sacred Indian dance since childhood. She was photographed numerous times during this period, nude or semi-nude.

During World War I, the Netherlands remained neutral. As a Dutch subject, Margaretha Zelle was thus able to cross national borders freely. To avoid the battlefields, she travelled between France and the Netherlands via Spain and Britain, and her movements inevitably attracted attention. In 1916 she was travelling by steamer from Spain when her ship called at the English port of Falmouth. There she was arrested and brought to London where she was interrogated at length by Sir Basil Thomson, Assistant Commissioner at New Scotland Yard in charge of counter-

espionage. She eventually admitted to working for French Intelligence. Initially detained in Canon Street police station she was then released and stayed at the Savoy Hotel.

On 13 February 1917, Mata Hari was arrested in her room at the Hotel Plaza Athénée in Paris. She was put on trial, accused of spying for Germany and consequently causing the deaths of at least 50,000 soldiers. Although the French and British intelligence suspected her of spying for Germany, neither could produce definite evidence against her. Secret ink was found in her room, which was incriminating evidence in that period. She contended that it was part of her make-up. She was found guilty and was executed by firing squad on 15 October 1917, at the age of 41.



Leaning Tower of Oldehove



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Relaxing on the waterside terraces



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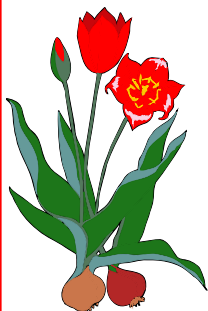
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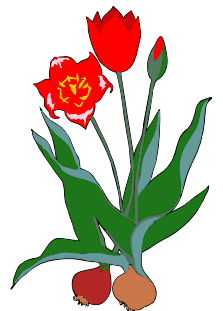
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As usual the event will run within the club premises.
Rather than a profit driven event, the organizers would
like the members, their families and friends to once
again enjoy the comfort of the new look lounge; relax
and catch up with old friends . AND, of course to
perhaps pick up a bargain or two on the day.



*This is a jointly organized event by the
Dutch Society Neerlandia and Dutch Aged
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Come along and support your organiza-*



Melbourne Cup Lunch



On Tuesday the 1st of November, Neerlandia will organise once again a Melbourne Cup Lunch.

Come and watch the Cup being run on our large screen, while enjoying a superb fully served three course Lunch, while seated at round tables. And of course we will organise a Sweepstake as well.

When:

Tuesday the 1st of November

Costs:

Members

\$25.00

Non-Members

\$30.00

Time:

11.00 am

Doors Open:

10.30 am



Win a prize for the most
Elegant, the most **Creative**
or the most **Colourful Hat**

Menu

*This will be published in
our October issue of the
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Bookings:

Please contact Ans van Alphen on:
9342 6525 (9.00 am– 9.00 pm)

For catering purposes, pre-payment is necessary when you make your booking.

And when you make your booking, please let us know if there are vegetarians in your group.

... Send your Cheque or Money Order by mail to Neerlandia, PO Box 200, WEMBLEY WA 6913.

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... Visit the Clubhouse on any Friday between 10.00 am and 1.00 pm and pay by credit card or cash.



Carnavals Club 'The Sandgropers'
Bring to you their annual
'PRINSEN BAL'



Date: Sunday 6th November 2011

Venue: Dutch Club 'Neerlandia'

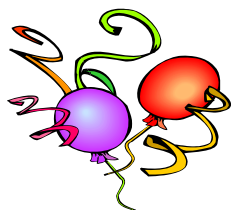
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Time: Doors open at 12 noon.

Entertainment: begins at 1 pm.

Come & join in the fun.

See our Princess Thea 1st
dethroned after her 12 mth
reign.



Popular  Music: 
Gerry v. Sambeek



The Kitchen will be open:

All your favourite Dutch snacks.

The Bar will be open:

All your favourite Dutch drinks.



Bookings: Henny Crijns Tel: 08 94546879

Tickets: \$12 per person (don't forget to ask for your favourite table)

Answering machine available—please leave name & number.



DE NEERLANDIA WINKEL

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- ... Bitterballen, Kroketten, Fricandellen & Gehaktballen
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- ... Leidse & Goudse Kaas
- ... **Zoute Haring, Gerookte Makreel en Gerookte Paling**
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- ... Groenten in glas en in blik
- ... Piccalilly & Zoet-Zure Augurken. (Bommen of Party Sticks)
- ... Zoute Drop, Stroopwafels, Gesorteerde Koekjes & Beschuit
- ... Gestampte Muisjes, Hagelslag, Fruithagel & Chocolate Vlokken
- ... Amandel Koeken, Kano's, Amsterdammers & Speculaasjes en Speculaas Brokken

De Neerlandia Winkel is open op de volgende dagen:

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
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| Elke tweede Dinsdag (non - DJVV week) | van 11.00 am - noon |
| Elke tweede Donderdag (DJVV week) | van 11.00 am - 2.00 pm |
| Elke Donderdag avond | van 10.00 pm - 11.00 pm |
| Iedere Vrijdag | van 10.00 am - 1.00 pm |

**De Neerlandia winkel is bemand door vrijwilligers en daarom moeten de
bovenstaande tijden een beetje ruim genomen worden**

From Republic to a Kingdom. (Part 3 of 5)

Somebody had to be blamed for the deplorable state in which the Dutch navy found itself. Luckily a scapegoat was available in the Stadtholder Willem V. Openly the City of Amsterdam accused the unfortunate Stadtholder for this state of affairs, but it was conveniently forgotten that it was him who repeatedly pleaded with the Staten Generaal and the 'Vroedschap of Amsterdam' (City Council) to reinforce and update the army and navy of the Republic. It should be remembered that the Duke of Wolfenbuttel was really the culprit, as young Willem from his 11th year onwards, had not been trained to become a decisive ruler. As mentioned before, he was like his father and mother, trying to please everyone around him and while growing up under the Duke's tutelage, lacked willpower and a steely determination to succeed as Stadtholder in his position of supreme General and Admiral of the country's army and navy. However, as always, when things look grim, outstanding deeds of skill and courage by some in charge will change the fortunes of a country. That happened near Gibraltar, when the Dutch navy once again showed its muscle under command of the captains Melvill and Oorthuys and strafed the British navy. More was to come in the year 1781 when at the end of July the Republic's Rear-Admiral Jan Arnold Zoutman was dispatched with a few navy vessels to protect a flotilla of merchant vessels. Then on the 5th of August of that year near Doggersbank in the North Sea, they sighted a squadron of English warships under command of Hyde Parker. Zoutman did not engage the enemy's navy immediately but carefully maneuvered his ships in the most advantageous positions, whereby he lost the initiative, but still caused so much damage that Parker withdrew. In this battle, Wolter Jan, Baron Bentinck, captain of the 'Batavier', was mortally wounded by a gunshot in the shoulder, but while dying ordered his relief captain Bosch: 'Fight on, rather go under than surrender'.

On return back home, Houtman was rewarded with a gold honour sword, personally handed over by the Stadtholder. All crew members received gold and silver medals. In hindsight, this enthusiastic reception of those who survived this navy battle was a bit overdone, but it should be remembered that overall the morale was pretty low and an occasion like this proved to be a great boost. This came back many years later when 'De Gids', a magazine printed in 1841, commemorated the Battle at Doggersbank with: 'The last beam of Glory of the Netherlands'. The war with England went on and on, the Dutch not thinking of negotiating for peace. And then, without consulting their Dutch partner, the Allies concluded a peace treaty with England known as 'The Versailles Treaty' on the 20th day of January 1783. Now the Republic was facing British power on their own and had to sue for peace on the 20th of May 1784, a peace costing the country a good part of our overseas possessions as well as free trading in the Netherlands

East Indies by the English. Furthermore we had to pay the French the enormous sum of three million Guilders for their expenses made to get England to return part of our West Indian settlements.

In the Republic itself, dissatisfaction with ruling the government gave cause to a lot of pamphlets being circulated, lampooning not only the Stadtholder, but especially the Duke of Wolfenbuttel, who finally returned to his estates and died soon after. Also in many cities so called 'Vrijkorpsen' (Citizen military companies) were organised, for protection of property and life. Again, the country sunk in a state of depression, the Stadtholder loosing his control over the army and navy while the Patriots were trying to get help from France against the supporters of Prince Willem V, who were inviting help from Prussia and England. Prussia acted quickly and so an army of 20.000 men marched into the Provinces under overall command of Charles, the Duke of Brunswick. Many of the Patriots fled to France, where a revolution was in progress to free the long suffering people from its oppressive aristocrats. Now with the backing of England and Prussia, an 'Act of Guarantee' was agreed on in 1788, securing the position of Stadtholder in the Republic. For a number of years, all went well for the Dutch. But clouds again were rising on the horizon, as in 1789,



Marie Antoinette being led to the guillotine.

riots broke out all over France. King Louis XVI was jailed in 1792, losing his head under the guillotine a year later in January, while his

wife, Queen Antoinette lost hers the following October. The 'Terreur' was in full swing under demons like Danton and Robespierre, all under the name of Liberté, Egalité, Fraternité'. (Liberty, Equality, Brotherhood) In the southern Provinces, the Patriots were forming their own army, naming it the 'Batavian Legion' and when the time came, they joined the French army under Dumouriez in 1793 invading the Seven Provinces. Leading the Dutch resistance were both sons of Willem V, Willem and Frederik, who defended their country courageously. Help came from England and Austria, who jointly defeated the French near Aldenhoven on the 1st of March 1793. The French withdrew only to reform and in the following year, the 26th of June 1794, the combined armies of England, Austria and the Republic were decisively defeated, thereby leaving Holland on her own. The whole of the southern Provinces were occupied by the French but their commanding General Pichegru had halted the northern thrust of his army, apparently waiting for new directions. However one the Patriots under his

From Republic to a Kingdom (Part 3)

command, Herman Willem Daendels managed to convince Pichegru into attacking the Seven Provinces as well and so during the severe winter of 1794/1795, his army crossed the frozen rivers and they were welcomed enthusiastically by the waiting Patriots.

A note on Herman Willem Daendels would be in place here. Born in Hattem on 21 October 1762, he studied law at the University of Harderwijk and acquired a doctorate on 10 April 1783. In 1785 he took over the leadership of the Patriots and defended Hattem against the Prince-friendly troops. In 1787 he defended Amsterdam leading the Patriots against the Prussian Army, who invaded the Republic in order to shore up the position of the Stadtholder.

After his defeat he was exiled and settled in France, now being swept away on the tide of patriotism ending in bloody guillotine period. He returned to Holland in 1794 as a General of the Batavian Legion under General Charles Pichegru.

The National Convention, having replaced the previous Reign of Terror, made it known that they only wanted to sign a treaty with Holland under condition that the Stadtholder Willem V would remove himself from Dutch territory.

In addition to the fact that the popularity of the Stadtholder was at a low point, it was arranged that Willem V and his family were to leave for England, his family first and he later on the 18th of January 1795, from Scheveningen in a small fishing boat. The departure of Willem V Prince of Orange, sounded the end of the Republic of the United Netherlands. All over the country the Patriots were erecting Freedom Trees, around which the people were dancing and singing patriotic songs, alternating with the cry of Freedom, Equality and Brotherhood. It was not long after the departure of Prince Willem V that French army units moved in, bringing their freedom and equality.

After the departure of the Stadtholder, it became a matter of urgency to form a new government. Amsterdam took the lead to form a 'Committe Revolutionair' which invited the cities, who liberated themselves already, to meet as the General Provisional Representatives of the country. Much was accomplished and already on the 16th of May 1795 France was prepared to recognise the 'Batavian Republic'.

However, this acceptance by France was costing the new Republic the outrageous sum of One Hundred Million Guilders. On top of this big parts of the country in the South had to be ceded to France, as well as free use of the big river systems. In conclusion, French garrisons would be vested in the cities of Vlissingen, Bergen op Zoom, 's Hertogenbosch and Grave.

This all was demanded in the first treaty. The following second treaty required the new Republic to house and equip a French army of 25000 men. To the surprise of all, these 25000 soldiers arrived poorly dressed and equipped and had to be fully rehabilitated by the Dutch. And what happened then? After a while they left and a

new poorly equipped lot arrived in tattered uniforms.

An old song of the time went like this:-

"Rataplan, Daar komen wij an,

Wij hebben geen kousen of schoenen meer an".

To be able to finance this all, a tax of 6% was levied on all properties.

On a better note, the Generals Dumonceau and Daendels ensured the army of the Batavian Republic was getting well organised and trained.

However, upgrading the fleets was not so easy, as the old time crew, all very Orange-minded, were loath to sign up under the present Patriotic leaders and a great shortage of officers and crew was evident. It was also at this time that England was gradually occupying all Dutch possessions overseas, inclusive the rich East Indies.

At a battle near Kamperduin, between the English and Dutch navies, the Dutch had to surrender their fleet of nine warships.

In order to understand the current problems of the 'Batavian Republic' a bit better, it should be explained that the 'Seven United Provinces' for around two hundred years, were actually a group of seven different populations, living in seven different countries with their own language, held together with relative weak links of self interest. Holland at all times was the leading and most powerful unit of the group. Each Province had its own laws, controlled its own finances, and had its own mint. We should be having full admiration for Raadspensionaris Johan van Oldenbarnevelt (14 September 1547-12 May 1619, the day he was beheaded) and Johan de Witt (24 September 1625-20 August 1672, the day he was lynched), who managed to control this at times unwieldy lot and welded it into a respected powerful nation with naturally Amsterdam as the leading city. At this moment, Holland had a debt burden, bigger than the six other provinces together and if the 'Bataafse Republiek' would now be forced to regroup its finances and create one economy for all by becoming a Kingdom, the debt of Holland would then be spread equally over all seven provinces and thereby increase their own tax considerably.

After many public meetings, it finally comes to the forming of a 'Nationale Vergadering' (National Meeting) on the first of March 1796. The Republic was to be divided into 126 voting districts, each with around 15000 voters. Further divisions were to be worked out and implemented.

Pieter Paulus, a clever lawyer and politician, was chosen as the President of the Nationale Vergadering and he opened the meeting with the statement:- 'Ik verklaar, in naam van het Nederlandse Volk dat wij vertegenwoordigen, deze Vergadering te zijn – het representeerend lichaam van het Volk van Nederland' (I declare, in the name of the Dutch People that we represent, that this Meeting is the presenting body of the People of the Netherlands).

Gerard Woerlee.

Challenging puzzles by the Puzzle Wizard

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CODEBREAKER PUZZLE



How to play the Game:

A **Codebreaker** is a crossword puzzle with no clues! Every letter of the alphabet has been replaced by a number, the same number represents the same letter all the time in this puzzle. All you have to do is find out which letter is represented by which number! The codes for only 2 letters are revealed. When you have entered these letters throughout the puzzle, you should have enough information to start guessing your first word and also discover other letters. If you are unsure, use a pencil, then you can always erase mistakes.

The last Codebreaker was not too difficult and once you found the words "Cactus and Aqua" it all fell in place. Following is the full solution:

A=4; B=10; C=11; D=15; E=3; F=19; G=12; H=7; I=17; J=24; K=6; L=1; M=8; N=5; O=23; P=21; Q=25; R=2; S=9; T=22; U=26; V=20; W=13; X=18; Y=14; Z=16.

Sudoku

The aim of the Sudoku Puzzle is to insert numbers in the boxes to satisfy only one condition: each row, each column and each 3x3 box must contain one each of the digits 1 through 9.

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